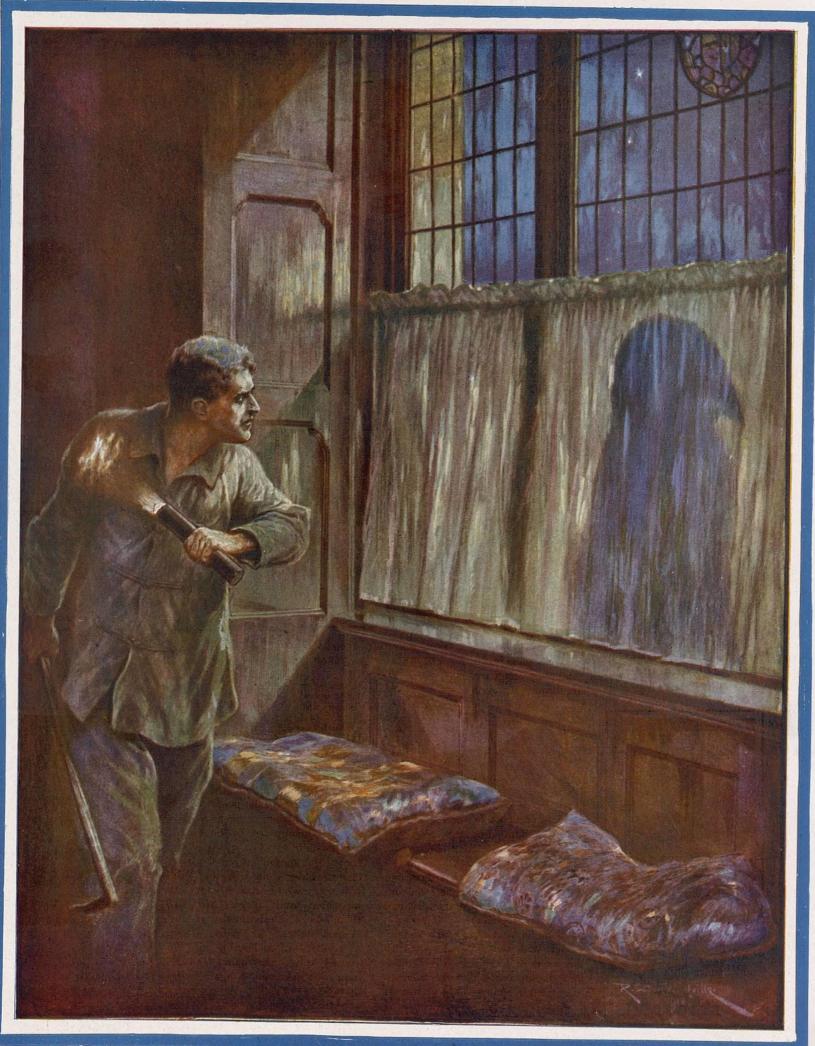
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# "THE GOLDEN SCORPION,"

An Oriental Mystery.

# By SAX ROHMER.

PART I.—THE COWLED MAN.

CHAPTER I.

THE SHADOW OF A COWL.

 $K^{\mathrm{EPPEL}}$  STUART, M.D., F.R.S., awoke with a start and discovered himself to be bathed in cold perspiration. The moonlight shone in at his window, but did not touch the bed, therefore his wakening could not be due to this cause. tor some time listening for any unfamiliar noise which might account for the sudden disturbance of his usually sound slumbers. In the house below nothing stirred. His windows were widely open, and he could detect that vague drumming which is characteristic of midnight London; sometimes, too, the clashing of buffers upon some siding of the Brighton Railway where shunting was in progress;

an occasional siren note from the Thames: otherwise—nothing.

He glanced at the luminous disc of his watch. The hour was half-past two. Dawn was not far off. The night seemed to have become almost intolerably hot, and to this heat Stuart felt disposed to ascribe both his awakening and also a feeling of un-comfortable tension of which he now became aware. He continued to listen, and, listening and hearing nothing, recognised with anger that he was frightened. A sense of some presence oppressed him. Someone or something evil was near him—perhaps in the room, veiled by the shadows. This uncanny sensation grew more and more marked.

Stuart sat up in bed, slowly and cautiously, looking all about him. He remembered to have awakened once thus in India—and to have found a great cobra coiled at his feet. His inspection revealed the presence of nothing unfamiliar, and he stepped out on to the floor.

A faint clicking sound reached his ears. He stood quite still.

The clicking was repeated.
"There is someone downstairs in my study!" muttered

He became aware that the fear which held him was such that, unless he acted, and acted swiftly, he should become incapable of action; but he remembered that, whereas the moonlight poured into the bedroom, the staircase would be in complete darkness. He walked barefooted across to the dressing-table and took up an electric torch which lay there. He had not used it for some time, and he pressed the button to learn if the torch was charged. A beam of white light shone out across the room, and at the same instant came another sound.

If it came from below or above, from the adjoining room or from outside in the road, Stuart knew not. But, following hard upon the mysterious disturbance which had aroused him, it seemed to pour ice into his veins-it added the complementary touch to his panic. For it was a kind of low wail—a ghostly minor wail in falling cadences-unlike any sound he had heard. It was so excessively horrible that it produced a curious effect.

Discovering from the dancing of the torch-ray that his hand was trembling, Stuart concluded that he had awakened from a nightmare, and that this fiendish wailing was no more than an unusually delayed aftermath of the imaginary horrors which had bathed him

in cold perspiration.

He walked resolutely to the door, threw it open, and cast the beam of light on to the staircase. Softly he began to descend. Before the study door he paused. There was no sound. He threw

open the door, directing the torch-ray into the room.

Cutting a white lane through the blackness, it shone fully upon his writing-table, which was a rather fine Jacobean piece having a sort of quaint bureau superstructure containing calinets and drawers. He could detect nothing unusual in the appearance of the littered table. A tobacco-jar stood there, a pipe resting in the lid. Papers and books were scattered untidily, as he had left them, surrounding a tray full of pipe and cigarette ash. Then, suddenly, he saw something else.

One of the bureau drawers was half-opened.

Stuart stood quite still, staring at the table. There was no sound in the room. He crossed slowly, moving the light from right to left. His papers had been overhauled methodically. The drawers had been replaced, but he felt assured that all had been examined. The light-switch was immediately beside the outer door, and Stuart walked over to it and switched on both lamps. Turning, he surveyed the brilliantly illuminated room. Save for himself, it was empty.

He looked out into the hall-way again. There was no one there. No sound broke the stillness. But that consciousness of some near presence asserted itself persistently and uncannily.

"My nerves are out of order," he muttered. "No one has touched my papers. I must have left the drawer open myself."

He switched off the light and walked across to the door. He had actually passed out, intending to return to his room, when he became aware of a slight draught. He stopped.

Someone or something, evil and watchful, seemed to be very near again. Stuart turned and found himself gazing fearfully in the direction of the open study door. He became persuaded anew that someone was hiding there, and, snatching up an ashstick which lay upon a chair in the hall, he returned to the door. One step into the room he took, and paused—palsied with a sudden fear which exceeded anything he had known.

A white casement curtain was drawn across the French windows . . . and outlined upon this moonbright screen he saw a tall figure. It was that of a cowled man!

Such an apparition would have been sufficiently alarming had the cowl been that of a monk, but the outline of this phantom being suggested that of one of the Misericordia brethren or the costume worn of old by the familiars of the Inquisition.

His heart leapt wildly, and seemed to grow still. He sought to cry out in his terror, but only emitted a dry, gasping sound.

The psychology of panic is obscure, and has been but imperfectly explored. The presence of the terrible cowled figure afforded confirmation of Stuart's theory that he was the victim of a species of waking nightmare. Even as he looked, the shadow of the cowled man moved—and was gone.

Stuart ran across the room, jerked open the curtains, and stared out across the moon-bathed lawn, its prospect terminated by high privet hedges. One of the French windows was wide

open. There was no one on the lawn; there was no sound.
"Mrs. M'Gregor swears that I always forget to shut these windows at night!" he muttered.

He closed and bolted the window, stood for a moment looking out across the empty lawn, then turned and went out of the room.

#### CHAPTER II.

#### THE PIBROCH OF THE M'GREGORS.

DR. STUART awoke in the morning and tried to recall what had occurred during the night. He consulted his watch, and found the hour to be six a.m. No one was stirring in the house, and he rose and put on a bath-robe. He felt perfectly well, and could detect no symptoms of nervous disorder. Bright sunlight was streaming into the room, and he went out on to the landing, fastening the cord of his gown as he descended the stairs.

His study door was locked, with the key outside. He remembered having locked it. Opening it, he entered and looked about him. He was vaguely disappointed. Save for the untidy litter of papers upon the table, the study was as he had left it on retiring. If he could believe the evidence of his senses, nothing had been disturbed.

Not content with a casual inspection, he particularly examined those papers which, in his dream adventure, he had believed to have been submitted to mysterious inspection. They showed no signs of having been touched. The casement curtains were drawn across the recess formed by the French windows, and sunlight streamed in where, silhouetted against the pallid illumination of the moon, he had seen the man in the cowl. Drawing back the curtains, he examined the window fastenings. They were secure. If the window had really been open in the night, he must have left it so himself.

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WAITING FOR YOUR CIGARETTE-CASE: MISS LILY ELSIE, WHO WANTS 10,000 FOR THE RED CROSS FUND.

Miss Lily Elsie is appealing for contributions to the gold and silver collection for the Red Cross. She has had the happy idea to suggest that those who possess gold or silver cigarette-cases should send them to her as offerings to the good cause. She wants to collect 10,000

cases, and she promises to acknowledge each one by a personal letter of thanks. Her autograph will doubtless be a great attraction, and we feel sure that she will not appeal in vain. The address to which patriotic smokers should send her their gifts is 39, Old Bond Street, W.

Photograph by Bertram Par



By KEBLE HOWARD (" Chicot").

"THE LITTLE END."

HE telephone-bell just tinkled. It was not a long and imperious ring-just the faintest tinkle. "Hullo!" said a quiet voice.

- " Hullo!" said I.
- " Heard the news?"
- " Nothing in particular."
- "He's gone at last."
- " Kaiser Bill?"
- "Yes-and Little Willy."
- " Abdicated ? "
- "Yes-this morning."
- " Is it official?"
- "Oh, yes. Quite all right."
- "Good. That means the end."
- "Rather! Thought you might like to know."
- "Thanks very much. Lovely night, isn't it?"
  "Topping. Bye-bye."

I hung up the receiver, and quietly handed on the intelligence. I did not want to shout, or dance, or rush about. It was over.

The strain of four years and three months was over. It left one with the tired and happy feeling of a convalescent.

#### Convalescence.

For that is precisely the present condition of this great country. She has had a terrible fight for life, she has pulled throughas one never allowed oneself to doubt for a single instant that she would pull through, since pessimism in war-time is first-cousin to treachery—and now she is convalescent.

She needs very careful nursing. Nature pulled her through the fight, and Nature is still on her side; but the constitution



OPENING AN "ENGLISHWOMAN" EXHIBITION: THE DUCHESS OF SUTHERLAND.

Ever ready to help forward movements of practical value to her sex, the Duchess of Sutherland last week opened the Englishwoman Fxhibition of Arts and Handicraft, at the Central Hall, Westminster. Our photograph shows (left to right) Lady Bertha Dawkins, the Duchess of Sutherland, Miss Lowndes, and Lady Cowdray.

Photograph by Topical.

has been grievously tried. Let foolish friends with baskets of luxuries be kept from the sick-chamber. The patient is not yet in a condition for too much petting. She is a little inclined to be light-headed. Presently she will skip, and run, and laugh, and be her jolly self again. For the moment she must go slowly.

Anybody can nurse a patient who is seriously ill; it needs a firm hand to manage a convalescent. You cannot reconstruct with the drugs of rhetoric, nor of sensation. You want fresh air, and sunshine, and placidity for the patient. You want easily digested food at frequent intervals and in small doses; you do not want a galvanic battery going full tilt from morning to night.

I shall watch this period of convalescence with more anxiety than I watched any period of the war, even the most critical. Having got rid of the dangerous ailment, can we bring the body back to perfect health? Or will there yet be internal complications that wisdom and unflagging care would avoid? Weshall see.

ironic mirth-"What of the Kaiser? What will happen to him after the War? Will he again become a great and respected monarch? Will his voice have the old weight in the councils of the world?

" I do not think so. I see no future for the Kaiser but a graceful retirement from the active world. That will be his punishment—to survive his own downfall. For a man of his temperament, of his past record, I can imagine no greater torture."

Silly, wasn't it? No wonder my self-delighted young critic

urged me not to disgrace journalism by writing such nonsense on this page! The Kaiser fall, forsooth! What optimistic folly!

Well, I took my criticism meekly. I meant well; I wrote what I thought; I now see, of course, how utterly ridiculous it was.

These old letters and articles make interesting reading in the light of history. I once suggested that, at the end of the war, every journalist should be called to account for what he had written, and every editor for what he had published. It won't be done; but future generations will be vastly intrigued when they get hold of the old files and turn them over. I wonder if we shall hear their comments?

End-of-the-War Prophecy.

As I write, the armistice has not been signed or the terms published, but we can all make a shrewd guess at those terms. I have still in

my possession a letter sent to me from France in the earlier days of the war by a young officer who rebuked me, in fairly violent language, for predicting that the Allies would end by dictating terms to Germany. Some day, as a matter of curiosity, I may publish the letter; but not yet. The time has not come.

Here, anyhow, is the passage which stirred my young critic to such scornful wrath. His Mess, he assured me, rocked with ironic laughter at my stupidity. The paragraph was published in The Sketch on Aug. 4, 1915-

"When will the war end? . . . Germany, when she begins to talk of peace, will want it quickly. Then we must harden our hearts. We must go on, and on, and on. If every man of us is ruined, what of that? We are nothing but the passing generations. We are merely the temporary tenants of the great estate. We do not really matter. It is the human race that matters. For the sake of the human race, we must not think of a quick peace. October? Rubbish! Three years? Every moment of them! Do you suppose that you can beat

a nation like Germany to its knees in three years even? We are bound to do it because we hold all the trumps; but it will be a long, long game. What sort of a life is it going to be, for instance, for the War Lord after he has thrown up the sponge; Naturally, he will fight to the last moment, and fight his country to the last moment!"

I will trouble that omniscient young gentleman and his rocking-with-laughter Mess to think again.

And a Kaiser Prophecy.

Here is another passage

published in The Sketch

on Aug. 11, 1915, which made my young

with

friends howl

#### GRAVE AND GAY: ROYAL AND OTHER PERSONALITIES.



"ONE OF THE YEOMAN PIONEERS OF THE EMPIRE'S GLORIOUS AIR SERVICE": THE FUNERAL OF CAPTAIN B. C. HUCKS, R.A.F., AT HIGHGATE CEMETERY.



THE OFFICIAL AMERICAN THANKSGIVING SERVICE IN LONDON FOR THE ARMISTICE: ADMIRAL SIMS AT ST. PETER'S, EATON SQUARE.



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BUREAU, TRAFALGAR SQUARE.



RECEIVING DONATIONS FOR THE MERCHANT SEAMEN'S GIFT WEEK: PRINCESS LOUISE, DUCHESS OF ARGYLL (RIGHT) AT THE SILVER THIMBLE DEPOT.

The funeral of Captain B. C. Hucks, the famous pioneer airman, who died of pneumonia following on influenza, took place with full military honours on Nov. 13 at Highgate Cemetery. The coffin, draped in the Union Jack, was borne on an R.A.F. military float covered with wreaths. Captain Hucks was the first English pilot to loop-the-loop and fly upside down, and made the first flight across the Bristol Channel. After serving in the R.F.C. at the Front he was invalided out and became



FAMILIAR, BUT AFFECTIONATE: ONE OF THE MANY LOYAL GREETINGS TO THE KING DURING HIS DRIVE WITH THE QUEEN THROUGH THE EAST END ON NOVEMBER 13.

a test pilot.—Professor Charles G. Barkla, Professor of Natural Philosophy at Edinburgh University, has been awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics for 1917, for his discovery of characteristic Röntgen rays in elements.—The stamp in our central photograph was designed by Mr. Julius M. Price, the well-known artist, for the benefit of the Nation's Fund for Nurses at 32, North Audley Street. The price is a penny, and it is hoped that people will use it largely on letters and parcels.



The Wonderful Week.

I do not know how I am to write anything at all this week. I feel much too excited! What a wonderful week it has been-surely the most

wonderful in our history! Once upon a time I used to regret that I was not alive in the old, old days when we were at war with Napoleon. I used to picture the coaches driving along the main roads, the excited villagers drawn up in front of the ale-houses, and the shout of joy that would go up from every town and village, the firing of guns, and the merry ringing of church bells, when the glad news was announced that England had won the war. "Nothing like that will ever happen in my time," I used to think regretfully. But I was wrong. Something much bigger and much better has happened-something so big and so good that it seems impossible to realise it all. Of course, I knew the war was going to end some day, and



"Mistletoe is on sale in Brixton."— Daily Paper, I remember Mr. Lloyd George saying not very long ago that we were nearing the end of the tunnel. But the suddenness with which it has come bewilders me.



There was a sad side to the rejoicings. I was made to realise this only a few minutes after the victory guns had ceased to growl. I had got into a 'bus at Chancery Lane. Just opposite me there was a woman dressed in black. Crowds were surging along the street waving flags and shouting. Girls were laughing, boys were cheer-

ing, and everybody seemed as happy as the day is long. But this woman, as she looked out upon these merry, cheering crowds, was crying bitterly. At Charing Cross she got out of the 'bus. Then the little conductress turned "She lost her boy only last week," she said, and I noticed there were tears in her own eyes. For the remainder of that joyous day the sad, sorrowful face of that poor bereaved woman continued to haunt me.



JOHN

MASTER

BOUCICAULT CALTHROP,

SON OF MR. DONALD

CALTHROP.

Photograph by Elliott and Fry.

GIVING THE GUNS INDIGESTION. "During Sunderland's 'Feed the Guns' week workman brought on a barrow one cwt. of pennies for investment."

#### London Learns the Way to Cheer.

One couldn't be unhappy for long on such a day, however. The sound of the cheering that was going up on every side found an echo in my heart. How many years is it since we have heard such cheers? I had almost persuaded myself that Londoners had forgotten the way to cheer, for even the Lord Mayor's Show, if you remember, didn't provoke any great enthusiasm-good as it was. But these happy people were making up for four years of silence. In Whitehall the tumult was deafening. On a parapet outside the Admiralty

I saw Admiral Beatty-what a handsome fellow he is !-- and Lord Beresford. They stood there acknowledging the tribute of the crowd, and I couldn't help thinking of the silent but effective work that our brave boys of the Navy have done during the last four years in guarding our seas and protecting us from invasion. At the corner of Parliament Street I jumped off the 'bus and crossed the road to Downing Street. Another large crowd had collected outside the Prime Minister's house, and they were all shouting themselves hoarse with jubilation and waving flags above their heads. Then I saw Mr. Lloyd George come to the window. I believe he made a little speech, but I couldn't hear a word he said. Anyhow, it seemed to please the people who did hear it, for their cheers became more

deafening than ever. I couldn't help noticing, though, how the worry and anxiety of the last four years have told upon the Prime Minister. His hair has gone quite white.

Unaccustomed Sights.

THE SHORTER CATECHISM. 1930.

"What didn't you do in the Great War, Daddy?"

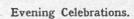
Later in the day I saw Mr. Lloyd George again. He was walking arm - in - arm

with his old leader, Mr. Asquith, from the House of Commons to St. Margaret's, Westminster, where a special service of thanksgiving was held for the Members of Parliament. There were quite a lot of people who were unable to get into the service, and some of them waited in the rain outside in order to see the celebrities



I AM THE (GER-CHANCELLOR" HERR F. EBERT. Photograph by C.N.

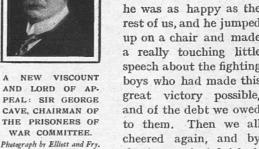
come out. Across the road I saw "Big Ben" with his face lighted up for the first time, I suppose, since the lighting regulations—only I think they ought to be called " darkening " regulations — came into force. I think that brought the peace home to me more vividly than anything else; and when, at a later hour of the evening, I saw the West - End theatres blazing with. light-just as they used to be in the pre-war days-I began to wonder whether there really had been a war at all.



I celebrated the occasion by dining with a small party of friends. The restaurant was crowded, and most of the people seemed to me much too excited to eat. But they cheered just as lustily as the people in the street outside, and when Mr. Thorpe Bates stood

up and sang the National Anthem we all rose to our feet and waved our serviettes in the air. Then someone caught sight of George Robey, and everybody started clamouring for a speech. Mr. Robey, in his

Volunteer's uniform, didn't look a bit like " Primitive Man." But he was as happy as the rest of us, and he jumped up on a chair and made a really touching little speech about the fighting boys who had made this great victory possible, and of the debt we owed to them. Then we all cheered again, and by the time we had finished,



our dinners were more than a little cold. After dinner I went on with my friends to the Empire. It was a first-class performance, but I think the people there were more interested in the glad tidings of the day than in "The Lilac Domino." They found it hard to restrain their enthusiasm, and when, after the play was over, Clara Butterworth came forward



SENDER OF AN S.O.S. CALL TO PRESIDENT WILSON; DR. SOLF, GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTER.

On November 13 was published a wireless message from Dr. Solf requesting President Wilson to arrange an immediate preliminary peace, for fear of famine in Germany

Photograph by C.N.



"I ADAPT WHAT I WANT" MR. MATHESON LANG UN-MASKED AS PART-AUTHOR OF "THE PURPLE MASK. has transpired that Mr. Matheson Lang, here seen as the hero of "The Purple the hero of Mask," recent recently transferred to the Scala, is himself the part-author of the English version. He took the pen - name of Charles Latour as he wrote it on tour. Photograph by Foulsham and Banfield, Ltd.

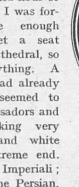
and tried to sing the National Anthem her voice was drowned by the great roar that went up on every side. Before we left the theatre we paid a visit to Mr. Howard Carr, the musical director, in his private room. Mr. Carr and his pretty Australian wife were entertaining a little party of friends, among them being Mr. Joseph Simpson, the well-known

The St. Paul's Service.

You may imagine that I felt pretty tired the next morn-

ing. But I was up in time to attend the great Thanksgiving Service at St. Paul's,

and I was very glad afterwards that I resisted the temptation to lie in bed for an extra hour or two. I was fortunate enough to get a seat



about the aisles seeing that everything went

smoothly. The whole congregation-and there

must have been some thousands of people

present-rose to their feet when the Duke of



right up in the front of the cathedral, so that I was able to see everything. most distinguished gathering had already assembled. The front pew seemed to be occupied by foreign Ambassadors and Ministers. M. Cambon, looking very French with his monocle and white pointed beard, sat at the extreme end. Next to him was the Marquis Imperiali; and not far away I noticed the Persian, Greek, Belgian, and Serbian Ministers, and Sir Derek Keppel. Sir Arthur Walsh, the Master of the Ceremonies, was walking

OF PEMBROKE, OX-FORD: THE REV. F. H. DUDDEN, D.D., RECTOR OF HOLY SLOANE STREET.

corted to a seat inside the chancel. The Prime Minister was not present, but I caught sight of Mrs. Lloyd George. At ten minutes The King's past twelve the Arrival.

Connaught entered with Princess

Beatrice. A few minutes later the

new Lord Mayor entered, wearing

his robes of office. He was es-

King and Queen arrived, with Princess Mary. They were met at the west door by the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Cathedral Canonsall of whom were wearing the most richly embroidered

As the royal party passed in procession to the three praying-stools which had been reserved for them just in front of the chancel steps the choir sang that fine old hymn " Praise my soul the King of Heaven," and it thrilled me to hear all those thousands of people singing the lines, "In His hands He gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes." They seemed so appropriate just then, and the tears were standing in the eyes of many of the people near me.

cloth-of-gold copes I have ever seen-and the choir.



HOT WORK: AN ACETYLENE WELDER AT A SHIPYARD WEARING ONE OF THE NEW PROTECTIVE MASKS. Official Photograph

proud, confident, and happy; and when the National Anthem came crashing out, the rattle of the kettle-drums blending with the pealing of the organ and the glad, triumphant singing of the congregation, it was easy to see he was profoundly moved. I thought that the Queen had never looked more charming in her life. She was wearing a dress of dark red velvet with a sable collar.

I wonder Keeping It Up. how long these celebrations are going to continue. Tuesday seemed in

some respects even a more joyous day than Monday. Indeed. Armistice Day-as I suppose we must call it—appears to have been merely a full dress rehearsal for the next day's performance. In the evening the streets were full of people, who must have started "mafficking" as early as six o'clock. The theatres were packed, and unless you had booked a seat earlier in the day you were hardly likely to obtain admission to any of them. (Oh, and, talking about theatres, I

must tell you of something that happened at the Comedy on Monday night. Some of the men in the audience were so excited that they actually climbed over the orchestra rails on to the stage and started dancing. The actors and actresses didn't mind a bit, I am told. They just enjoyed the fun.) But I

am writing about Tuesday night. Well, I was just coming back from the Apollo Theatre, where I had been enjoying pretty Winifred Barnes's singing in "Soldier Boy," when my ears were deafened by all the shouting and singing and stampeding and cheering that were going on. It was quite impossible for me to obtain a taxi, so that there was nothing for it but to walk. As I approached Trafalgar Square the crowds became denser, and then I saw something that made me catch my breath with surprise. Some

people had actually torn up the wooden pavement, and were burning it in a big, blazing bonfire which lit up the whole of the Square. People were doing the most extraordinary things, and I saw one extremely pretty, well-dressed girl sitting on the back of one of the Nelson lions. And yet they say that the English are

a cold and reserved people!

My Lyceum-Club

Window-Cleaner.

A few mornings ago,

not very far from

Whitehall, I encoun-

THE FAUNA OF THE ANTIPODES.

"A number of Australian soldiers were

in New York recently, and one woman

was heard to remark to another: 'There goes one of those Australians!' "How do you know?' asked the other. 'Why,

you can tell by the kangaroo feathers in his hat!" - Evening News.



THE LORD MAYOR AT THE THANKSGIVING SERVICE IN ST. PAUL'S; SIR HORACE MARSHALL ON THE CATHEDRAL STEPS. Photograph by Illustrations Rureas

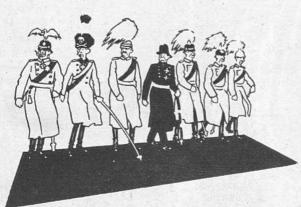
tered an interestinglooking young woman attired in a pair of khakicoloured trousers. I paused on my way to the Park and looked

up at her, as she seemed to be bal-

anced with the utmost dexterity on the top of a long ladder and was busily cleaning the windows. When she came down, carrying her mop and pail with the airy grace that used to characterise the heroines of romance as they carried their clusters of rosebuds, being of an inquisitive turn of mind, I interviewed her, inquired how she liked her profession, if she felt entirely at home in trousers.

This young Chloe of the windows replied with what the late Miss Jane Austen might describe as great sensibility. "If we wore petticoats," she said, "we should be almost certain to break 'our necks." Then she went on to tell me that she was a writer in ordinary times, and that she would be pleased if I would lunch with her at the Lyceum Club!

THE WORLDLING.



GOOD BYE-EE-EE! (With apologies to a famous photograph.)

The Hohenzollern line as it used to be: (left to right) the Kaiser, the Crown Prince, and Princes Eitel Friedrich, Adalbert, August Wilhelm, Oscar, and Josehim,



OUR years of constant effort does not seem to have affected the charitable enthusiasm of women who have learnt to be organisers. But the armistice has turned their thoughts in a new direction. The Victory Ball on Nov. 27 is not likely to lack

patrons with the Nation's Fund for Nurses as an object; and Mrs. Edward Hulton, who has more than one "success" to her credit, stands to add another to the list. It is not surprising to find Adeline Duchess of Bedford and her Grace of Marlborough amongst the wearers of strawberry-leaves pledged to support the affair. The worst of having a philanthropic reputation is that it takes more living up to than any other. It is only fair to the Duchesses to add that they always come up to expectations.



ENGAGED: MISS GWEN-DOLINE R. DAVIS. Miss Gwendoline Davis, whose engagement to Lieutenant-Commander Claude Preston Hermon-Hodge, son of Sir Robert and Lady Hermon-Hodge, of Wyfold Court, Oxon, is announced, is the younger daughter of Mr. J. Goulding Davis, Public Works

Department, and Mrs. Davis, of Bahawalpur, India. Photograph by Lafayette.

The tragic Tragic Close of death of Mr. A. E. an Active Life. Gathorne-Hardy has caused special regret throughout South-Eastern England. The third son of the first Earl of Cranbrook, he was one of the two Conservative Members tor Canterbury before the great Reform Act, and after-

wards sat for the East Grinstead Division of Sussex. Apart from the official positions he occupied, his life was a very busy one;

but he found time to be a great devotee of sport, on which he wrote several interesting volumes. Another link with the past is broken by the death of Lord Ebury. He was an active politician as long as halta-century ago, and, like the late Earl of Wemyss, wrote letters to the papers up to quite a short time before

his death. Their vigour and common-sense testified to the strength of his faculties, though he had passed the allotted span by tourteen years.

The Kaiser of Commerce. Whatever its cause, there was dramatic fitness in the death of Ballin, the German shipping magnate,



MARRIED TO LIEUT.-COLONEL R. SPARROW, NOV. 16: MRS. CECILY HEYWORTH.

Mrs. Cecily Mabel Heyworth is the widow of Captain H. P. L. Heyworth, North Staffordshire Regiment, and second daughter of Major B. C. Garfit, of Dalby Hall, Lincolnshire,

Photograph by Swaine.

simultaneously with the news of the Kaiser's fall. For Ballin was the commercial Kaiser of Germany, and stood

for all that feverish expansion of German enterprise which was very largely the cause of the war. He was a remarkable man, and a supreme example of the power of his race to manage great enterprises. Though his relations with the Kaiser were clouded during the last two years, the pair were once on extremely good terms. William II. had the family keenness for businessthe founder of the line was a moneylender, and the instinct of usury has never left the Hohenzollernsand Ballin could put him on to many good things in the investment way. It may be remembered that this man laboured very hard to keep Great Britain neutral, and his activities were the subject of

a debate in the House of Lords, in the course of which one of our statesmen expressed his difficulty in believing that this eminent man could be capable of a lie. The difficulty was certainly not shared by others with a more profound acquaintance with Ballin's

methods.

" And a Good Judge, Too."

It is no surprise that Sir George Cave has accepted the vacant Lordship of Appeal. All his in-

clinations lay in that direction, though there was no reason, despite the criticism which has latterly centred round his name, why he should not have continued in active politics. But, like many men who have found the path of success easy, he is rather sensitive, and, no doubt, has not enjoyed his last few months of office.

He is likely to make an excellent Judge; and, with his handsome and pleasant face, will be an extremely decorative Viscount.

The adop-Important without tion of Mr. Prominence. William Sutherland as Liberal candidate for Argyllshire brings into the open a war character

of whom little has been heard, but who has played a not unimportant part in the drama of the last two years. Mr. Suther-

land, as private secretary to the Prime Minister, has been the principal intermediary between his chief and the outside world, and the diaries published thirty years hence will probably have much to say concerning him in that rôle. Few people know more of the

EUNICE EVERITT. Miss Jessie Everitt, engagement to Captain C. H. M.
Willson, King's Liverpool Regiment and R.A.F., son of Mr.
and Mrs. A. J. A. Willson, of
Waterloo, Lancs., is announced,
is the daughter of Mr. is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Everitt, of New Brighton, Cheshire. Photograph by Swaine.

ENGAGED: MISS JESSIE

inner history of the war and of domestic politics during the most critical period of the great struggle, and nobody is less likely to say anything of what he knows. Perhaps, as politician, Mr. Sutherland will develop another side of his character; so far, he has the reputation of being of all men the most inscrutable.

The books that now fetch fancy Big Money. prices in the sale-room generally

cost little enough to produce; but this is the day of great reversals, and a book is on the way that is to cost some

£300,000 to produce. This is a mammoth guide to all the sources of supply for goods made in the United Kingdom. Such a work might be supposed to be beyond the possibilities of a private venture. But manufacturers and merchants have come together; and two men, whose names stand for ingenuity and pluck, are with them-Lord Desborough and Sir Wilfrid Stokes. Sir Wilfrid, though a civilian of peaceable life, invented the Stokes gun; and the man who breasted Niagara, when he faces a publisher, fears nothing. It strikes a note of encouragement, even of optimism, to find so exceptionally costly a work in course of preparation.



MARRIED TO MRS. CECILY MABEL HEYWORTH: LIEUT. COLONEL R. SPARROW. Lieut.-Col. R. Sparrow, C.M.G., D.S.O., Dragoon Guards, is the youngest son of the late Mr. Basil Sparrow, of Gosfield Place, Essex. His marriage to Mrs.

Heyworth took place on Nov. 16. Photograph by Swaine.



**ENGAGED: MISS MARSLIE** 

Miss Wood, whose engage-ment to Lieutenant-Colonel

ment to Lieutenant-Colonel C. M. Truman, D.S.O., Lancers,

is announced, is the youngest daughter of Colonel and the

Hon. Mrs. Wood, of Rock-mount, Bournemouth, and Gwernyfed Park, Breconshire.

Photograph by Swaine.

WOOD.

TO MARRY MR. RONALD B. BECKETT: MISS NORAH ANDERSON.

Miss Norah Ford Anderson, engagement to Mr. Ronald Brymer Beckett, I.C.S., has been announced, is the youngest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Ford Anderson, of 41, Belsize Park, N.W.

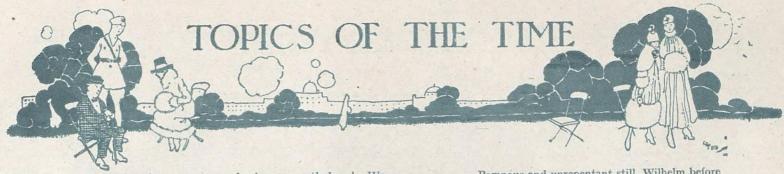
Photograph by Elliott and Fry.

# A WEDDING AT THE ORATORY: DUGUID-McCOMBIE-PETERSEN.



The recent wedding of Lieutenant-Colonel W. M. Duguid McCombie, Royal Scots Greys, of Easter Skene and Lynturk, Aberdeenshire, to Miss Flora Petersen, youngest daughter of Mr. William Petersen, and the late Mrs. William Petersen, of 80, Portland Place, and Eigg, Inverness-shire, drew a large congregation to the Oratory, Brompton, although the wedding was a very quiet one, owing to mourning in the family of the bride, who was given away by her father. There were two

bridesmaids—Lady Doreen Browne and the Hon. Lettice Digby, who wore pale heliotrope chiffon; and there was a little page, Master Peter Douglas Reynolds, son of the late Major Douglas Reynolds, V.C.; and Captain Eric Bonham, Scots Greys, was best man. The bride wore white panne, with a long tulle veil which formed a train, and a wreath of orange-blossoms. Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught, whose engagements prevented their presence at the Oratory, sent a wedding gift to the bride.



You and I are freezing on to our brains, nevertheless! We are excited, of course. Who wouldn't be? But our maffick is a maffick of thanksgiving to Providence, and of loving gratitude to the soldiers—dead and living—who have done this stupendous thing for us. God bless them every one!

Dreamily speculating in an issue of *The Sketch* published last January—and on this very page, unless I am mistaken—a poet of no particular importance (cries of "No" and "Withdraw") tried the following lines upon his regular customers—

I wonder who will know it first, the Winter or the Spring, the Summer or the Autumn, when the bells begin to ring—the Peace bells that shall tell us that the Battle has been won? I wonder if the Moon will hear the news before the Sun?

I wonder if the Primrose will be first to hear the sound? The ground whereon it glitters shall be consecrated ground! Or will the Rose be list'ning when the word sings through the air? All Roses then for ever shall be holy everywhere!

I wonder if the Brambles will be first to hear and know? Then Bramble shall for ever be the Myrtle of the snow, and eyes aflame with gratitude shall fancy that they see the flower growing there of Love and Immortality!

Well, it has turned out to be the Brambles. But the Primroses are going to hear all about it when the Spring comes; and the matter won't be ancient history on the arrival of the Roses!

Having our heads for thinking, and our hearts for other purposes, you and I refuse to burst into tears over the news from Germany that the Kaiser has had sixty of his castles turned into hospitals for his wounded soldiers. Knowing that it is not our way to bomb hospitals, he has done this simply to save them from becoming castles in the air-raid!

No shining saint is he who owns a hundred castles more or less, and sixty lends to nurse the bones of soldiers maimed and in distress. Of forty still, or maybe more, this dreadful person is the boss. And so, as I have said before (or hinted) it is not much Schloss!



BRITISH NAVAL REPRESENTATIVE AT THE SIGNING OF THE ARMISTICE: SIR ROSSLYN WEMYSS BACK IN LONDON.—[Photograph by S. and G.]

While all the world wondered at the great armistice delay, I had the explanation of it in my possession all the time. The German for armistice is *Waffenstillstand*. Don't worry about the *Waffen*. It's the standstill I'm driving at.

Pompous and unrepentant still, Wilhelm before the Justice stood. "Why am I here?" asked Wicked Will. "Why should I make the havoc good? Hin ist hin! There is nothing in weeping for deeds of warfare done!" "Yes!" thundered Justice. "Hin ist hin!"—fixing the cap—"and Hun ist Hun!"

An otherwise bright "interview" with a popular theatrical costumier took on rather a sad patch when the interviewed said: "We are making a few pantomime elephants, too—a job which



MACHINE-GUN GUARDS FURNISH THE KING'S GUARD FOR THE FIRST 'TIME: READY TO MARCH TO BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

Photograph by S. and G.

requires a good deal of care, for the legs are generally played by old tragedians, and they are very particular."

A feeble voice, a treble shake, came muffled from the stage, "'Stone walls do not a prison make, nor iron bars a cage!' But cage and prison both are mine, and dreams of freedom vain, for I'm a star that used to shine, but cannot shine again!" The Hindmost Legs it was that spoke, who once wore Hamlet's sable cloak!

The Forelegs ceased his shuffling walk an instant to declare, "My Lear and Hamlet were the talk of Weston-Super-Mare! I thrilled the Wigan Hippodrome as well until it shook! I've got the notices at home, all pasted in a book!" And then I heard the Forelegs sigh, and Hindlegs answer, "So did I!"

The Forelegs spoke again behind the canvas and the glue. His tone was patient, brave, and kind: "Our fate is nothing new! Away with thoughts of better years—of Weston. Hamlets, Wigan Lears—and manhood's golden time! We'll play no tragedy of tears in children's pantomime!" And lo, the Hindlegs and the Fore came forth to make the children roar!

"Battalions of huge chrysanthemums" begins a newspaper report of a flower-show. I like it. It is one of the cheeriest of the many cheery signs of the times. It shows that at least one of our war-correspondents has been recalled for ordinary Press-work.

When Philip Gibbs is back in town upon his old descriptive stunts, prepare to find him writing down the language of the various fronts. He'll note of some impression queer, the puzzle of a picture show, "I'm waiting for the smoke to clear; the visibility is low." Or in its smudginess detect "a clever camouflage effect."

# BY LORD CARNARVON: A STUDY OF BEAUTY.



"APPREHENSION": MISS FRANCES TORRENS, OF HIS MAJESTY'S.

We need scarcely remind our readers that the Earl of Carnarvon is an amateur photographer of very exceptional gifts and skill—a number of His Lordship is the fifth holder of the title, which dates from 1793.

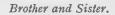


THE venerable Empress Eugénie has lived to see a second Sedan, and therefore to learn the lesson that the pulses of a woman of ninety can, after all, be set beating fast and faster by a bit of public intelligence. "I shall go down to posterity as a fashion-plate." That was a complaint the Empress once made to an English friend, having in retrospect the many drawings of herself issued whenever a new fashion was to be popularised. "Thou dost to rich attire a grace To let it deck itself with thee," the English poet tells his adored lady; and the Empress of the French invested even the crinoline with some of her own grace.

A Farnborough Note-Book.

That was half-a-century ago, before the great defeat at Sedan which cost the Emperor his throne, and which French arms have now associated with their own victory and a German retreat. The Empress has already put down on paper many of her vivid recollections of events, but these cannot be published till some rather distantly future date. (N.B.—No publishers need apply.) She will there figure for posterity, on her own showing, as a personage who helped, in an epoch-making period, to mould serious European history. So she can afford to jest a little, at her own expense, about

those unforgotten fashion-plates.



The great wish of the Empress Eugénie is to see again her favourite god - daughter, the Queen of Spain. That wish is warmly reciprocated. But, for various reasons, it has been thought inexpedient for Queen Ena to come to England during the war. Last month she kept her birthdayshe is only thirty-one -and the blank made by the absence of her English relatives was particularly noticeable. Some expression of this in the Queen of Spain's letters decided her brother, the Marquess of Carisbrooke,



A PEERESS, WITH HER CHILDREN: LADY DUNBOYNE,

Lady Dunboyne is the wife of the 17th Baron Dunboyne, and is seen with her children, the Hon. Patrick and the Hon. Doreen Butler. Before her marriage to Captain Lord Dunboyne, in 1915, Lady Dunboyne was Miss Dora Isolde Butler Tower, daughter of Mr. Francis FitzPatrick Tower.—[Photograph by Swaine.]

to pay her a visit. The King of Spain's friendship for the cause of the Allies is sufficiently well known. He had a love for England from childhood which stood the perhaps severe test of his having for his tutor an Englishman. English is the favourite language of his fireside, and he sings an English song to perfection. The brothers-in-law are the best of friends; and Lord Carisbrooke delights to recall that his sister, when once in pensive mood as a little girl she was asked what she was doing, replied, "Building castles in Spain." She did not dream how truthfully she was foretelling.

Stops and Telegrams are carefully punctuated—colon, semi-colon, comma, and full-stop—only in novels. Even so acute an observer as Mr.

Compton Mackenzie falls into this trap; and Sylvia Scarlett, whose blushes are confined to her name, receives a wire in which the stops are those of an ordinary letter, and were never paid for at the post-office as written-out words. A novel might, indeed, be written on the misunderstandings sometimes arising from the absence of punctuation. In one famous case in real life a man, far afield, saw in a belated English newspaper the announcement of the death of a man whose wife was a woman he had himself sought to marry. He wrote and offered to return to England at once if she wired him a word of encouragement. She wired four words: "Don't come too late." He hastened home across continents, but only to find

the lady already pledged to another husband. His reproaches were met by the indignant explanation: "I told you not to come. I wired, 'Don't come: Too late.'" The colon and the capital were not transmitted.

"Fhu "Leave per-Permitting." is familiar legend with engaged couples announcing the date of their wedding. But "Leave permitting" has been lately superseded by "Flu permitting." And flu has not permitted in quite a number of cases, the Baroness de Rutzen's among the rest. Better luck to Lady Avice Sackville, whose engagement to Major Stuart Menzies, of the Life Guards, is announced. Lady Avice is two or three years older than her brother, Lord de la Warr, and she has some of the charm of her very attractive father, who died while on duty in the earlier days of the war. As the present Peer is not yet nineteen, it is unlikely that there



A RECENT BRIDE: MRS. DEREK RICHARDSON.

Before her marriage, which has recently taken place, Mrs. Derek Richardson was Miss Irene Pilling, and well known as an assiduous warworker. Captain Derek Richardson, M.C., is in the 12th Lancers.—[Photograph by Lallie Charles.]

will be another early Lady de la Warr to add nominal confusion to the three ladies already bearing that title, each one rather specially distinguished in her own charming way.

Marking and Learning.

Sir Mark Sykes has gone to Syria—not, as of old, as a private traveller, but as an agent of the Government. He knows his ground; and

his great interest in the Jewish settlement in Palestine has brought him into touch, even before he left England, with many an Israelite in whom there is no guile. Though he knows so much, he has now and again had his ears tickled with novelties. That was the case when a Syrian Jew, full of fervour for a return to Jerusalem, exclaimed: "As you know, I am the descendant of the nephew of Noah!" It happened to be one of the few things Sir Mark did not know. Sir Mark would not claim omniscience.



A PRIVY COUNCILLOR, WITH HIS FAMILY: SIR MAURICE DE BUNSEN. The Right Hon. Sir Maurice William Ernest de Bunsen, P.C., G.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., C.B., C.V.O., is the son of the late Mr. Ernest de Bunsen, of Abbey Lodge, Regent's Park. He entered the Diplomatic Service in 1877, and has held many important positions and has acted as an Assistant Under-Secretary of State at the Foreign Office since 1915. He married, in 1899. Miss Berta Mary Lowey-Corry, daughter of the late Mr. Armar Henry Lowry-Corry, and has four daughters—the Misses Hilda, Cicely, Rosalind, and Mary Berta de Bunsen.—[Photograph by Swaine.]

# A TRIPTYCH: NEW PORTRAITS OF WELL-KNOWN LADIES.



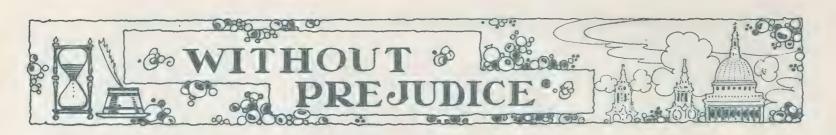
1. A GRAND-DAUGHTER OF THE LATE DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE: MRS. GEORGE EARLE.

2. WIFE OF A POPULAR OFFICER: MARCHIONESS OF DUFFERIN.

3. SISTER OF A WELL-KNOWN DUCHESS: LADY BETTY BUTLER

Mrs. George Earle, of whom we give a new and very charming portrait, is a grand-daughter of the late Duke of Cambridge, who was a cousin of Queen Victoria, and Head of the British Army.—The Marchioness of Dufferin and Ava, whose husband was in the 9th Lancers, and has also served in a Guards' Division, was, before her marriage, Miss

Florence Davis, daughter of Mr. John H. Davis, of Washington Square, New York.—Lady Betty Butler, whose full name is Lady Moyra Elizabeth Butler, is the younger daughter of the Countess of Lanesborough, and sister of the Duchess of Sutherland. Lady Betty Butler was born in 1899, and is very popular in Society.—[Photographs by E. O. Hoppé.]



ATHETIC embarras of West End shop-keepers faced with the baffling prospect of the next shopping season. (I beg your pardon, Callisthenes, old son. Should I have said Merchant Houses or Distributing Organisations? I was always intolerably

hazy about political economy, and quite a lot of them really look quite like shops.) Anyway, they must be having a singularly wearing time, faced as they find themselves with an Xmas that is more of an x mas than ever, x being the unknown quantity. Is it to be trench boots and tickers with iridescent faces, or silk pyjamas and trouser-presses? Do Armies of Occupation wear tin hats, and is it possible to convert a heavy stock of pith helmets into a really serviceable line of flower-pots?

Really, being established by Special Appointment in Jermyn Street must be worse than having to edit a German comic paper in these days. Life in Bond Street must be a long and painful alternation of reading the paper, dressing the window accordingly; reading another paper, undressing the window (oh, fie!) on the strength of it; having a word with a Really Reliable Man who saw Lord Milner wearing that funny little hat that always means Something, and dressing the poor thing again until it positively feels like the heroine of something fluffy at the Criterion with three dresses and a bedroom scene in it. First Ferdy knocked the bottom out of the market for golf-clubs; fire-extinguishers, and other Balkan comforts. Then the Turk executed a damaging bear-raid (his only

successful operation since the war began) on the sun-hat and thin underclothing position. And now it drops under us entirely, and we are getting quite used to having no war news at all. So what do they want to give for presents this year? We can't all hire

pantechnicons and send round a copy of" Joan and Peter, can we?

Heavy work on hand for Sir Stephenson Kent and his merry men in the Demobilisation and Civil Employment line. We shall soon see the official conjurers wander up to a filling factory, do four passes, andsit down in front there, please-it will begin turning out bicycles, chemical manure, and other forms of plough-shares. But nobody seems to have thought about the really serious side of the problem. A word to the War Cabinet: Who is to be the new Director of Social Demobilisation? Disband-

ing armies, sacking



A RECENT BRIDE: MRS. R. MORRISON. Mrs. Morrison, who, as Miss B. Beresford, was married recently to the only son of the late Colonel Morrison, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, of Rowdens, Teignmouth, is a cousin of Lord Beresford, and grand-daughter of the late Colonel Marcus Beresford, M.P.

Photograph by Rita Martin

Controllers (O.BE quiet, can't you?), getting the street-lamps out of their war-paint, and scraping the pearl-powder off the corners of corridors in the Admiralty will be simple jobs compared with the Reconstruction of Society. Why not have a Ministress of it, now

that Bob Cecil's Emancipation Bill is through? Expect we shall live to see the Drogheda car that used to be such a feature of the F.O side-door-waiting among the policewomen in Palace Yard for the Right Honourable Lady to finish answering questions in the House before going on somewhere really serious

Seriously, though, it will take some doing. We mustn't just cry "Havoc" and let loose the war-workers. There must be a Policy. We must proceed, as legal gentlemen always say, by Steps. Mount Street mustn't be flooded with chauffeuses, kitchen - maids, and filing clerks all in a minute, must it? And won't it be sad for some of the poor dears when they lose their official raison d'être -especially those very confidential ones in the Admiralty who simply mustn't say a word, my dear, or the bottom would drop out of the Grand Fleet? When Sir Albert Stanley gets back from the Board of Trade to the Underground he will have to put a special staff of "chuckers-in" on the platform at St. James's Park Station to stop ex-official young women from making a dash at Tothill Street from sheer force of habit. And there will have to be firm action taken by some strong central authority, or we shall have at least three dear ladies (wouldn't mention

names for worlds) getting up war matinées long after the Peace of Somewhere has got into the history books.

Princesses Beatrice and Mary very bright at a concert the

other week, the former not seeming to mind the lurid slices of pathology that Our Special Correspondent has been ladling out from, Madrid lately. But young Queen Victoria is blessed with a better constitution than her adoptedcountry; and Alfonso seems to keep sprightly through a long succession of local crises and the last echoes of Armageddon rumbling across the Pyrenees. So perhaps Princess Beatrice knows best, after all. She should, at all



WIFE OF AN OFFICER IN THE ARGYLL AND SUTHERLAND HIGHLANDERS: MRS. ROBIN CHRYSTAL Mrs. Chrystal is the wife of Major Robin Chrystal, of Auchendennan, Loch Lomond. She is the daughter of the late and Duncan Mackenzie, of Perth, Australia.

Photograph by Rita Martin.



TO BE MARRIED IN DECEMBER: MISS VIOLET BIRKIN.

Miss Violet Birkin is the second daughter of Colonel C. W. Birkin, C.M.G., of Lamcote, Radcliffe-on-Trent, and is to be married in December to Mr. Douglas Holden Blew-Jones, Household Cavalry, eldest son of the late Mr. W. B. Blew-Jones.—[Photograph by Rita Martin.]

# "THE GLASS OF FASHION AND THE MOULD OF FORM."



"OBSERVED OF ALL OBSERVERS": MRS. VERNON CASTLE, THE FAMOUS DANCER.

Mrs. Vernon Castle, though an American by birth, feels at home also in England as the native land of her late husband of gallant memory, who lost his life in a flying accident on war duty, after sacrificing a prosperous career to return and serve his country. She has been over here on a visit for some time, and while not at present appearing only adds to her charm.-[Photograph by Ita L. Hill, New York.]

professionally, she has been seen a good deal at war-charity entertainments. Besides her great reputation in dancing, and on the films, she is regarded by members of her own sex as a "glass of fashion," her dresses being always the last word in taste and modernity. This very feminine taste

# DELEGATES FROM MUSICAL FARCE AND COMEDY AN



- I. PLAYING CORA MERVILLE IN "THE OFFICERS' MESS," AT THE ST. MARTIN'S: MISS ODETTE MYRTIL.
- 2. A CHARMING MEMBER OF THE GAIETY COMPANY IN "GOING UP": MISS KITTY SEXTON.
- 3. AS JOY CHATTERTO BOY," AT THE BRIERCLIFFE.

Miss Odette Myrtil is playing-a leading part in the new musical farce at the St. Martin's Theatre, "The Officers' Mess," as an actress who has lost her jewels. The best of several taking songs assigned to her is a musical parody of Tchaikovsky.—Miss Kitty Sexton is a member of the company which has made such a success of "Going Up!" at the Gaiety.—Miss Nellie Briercliffe, formerly well known in Gilbert and Sullivan revivals, is now playing the flapper part, Joy Chatterton, in "The Boy," now in its second year at the Adelphi.—Miss Maisie Gay, as Amy Lee, adds to the humorous element

# ND REVUE: A BEVY OF LONDON STAGE FAVOURITES.



THE FLAPPER, IN "THE 4. APPEARING AS AMY LEE IN "SOLDIER BOY," 5. LEADING LADY IN "AS YOU WERE!" THE ADELPHI: MISS NELLIE AT THE APOLLO THEATRE: MISS MAISIE FANTASTIC REVUE AT THE LONDON GAY.

PAVILION: MISS ALICE DELYSIA.

in "Soldier Boy," at the Apollo. She has some good songs, especially a military one with a stirring chorus, called "March Along."—Miss Alice Delysia, as the wife of Sir Billion Boost, is the moving spirit of the London Pavilion's "fantastic" revue, "As You Were." She appears with equal success in a variety of characters in history and imaginary history, including Helen of Troy, Ninon de L'Enclos, and a lady of a mediaeval " Hunzollern " Court .- [Photographs by Claude Harris, Rita Martin, Bertram Park, and Hugh Cecil.]

# THE DISTAFF SIDE: WELL-KNOWN LADIES IN SOCIETY,



- t. THE AMERICAN WIFE OF AN ENGLISH FEFR: LADY HUNTING-FIELD.
- 5. A V.A.D. WORKER: THE HON. MRS. WELLESLEY SOMERSET.
- 2. WIFE OF A DISTINGUISHED COMMANDER IN THE R.N.: MRS. MAXWELL SCOTT.
  - 6. WITH SONS IN THE ARMY: MRS. ARTHUR FORSTER.

Lady Huntingfield, wife of Capt in Lord Huntingfield, fifth Baron, was, before her marriage, Miss Eleanor Crosby, daughter of the late Judge Ernest Crosby, of New York. She has two little daughters and a son, the Hon. Gerard C. A. Vanneck, born in 1915. Min. Minimal Scott is the wife of Commander Malcolm Maxwell Scott, D.S.O., R.N., and was Miss Fearga O'Conor, daughter of the late Sir Nicholas O'Conor, and Lady O'Conor. Lichard Pennoyer was, before her recent marriage to Mr. Pennoyer, of the American Embassy, Viscountess Ingestre, whose husband was killed in the war, and was the eldest son of the Earl of Shrewsbury and Talbot.—

# AND NEW PORTRAITS OF WORKERS FOR THE WAR.



3. FORMERLY VISCOUNTESS INGESTRE: MRS. PENNOYER.

7. MOTHER OF A LITTLE DAUGHTER: MRS. IAN ORR-EWING.

- 4. WORKING AT. A PARIS RED CROSS HOSPITAL: THE HON MRS. WALTER TREFUSIS.
  - 8. DAUGHTER OF A WELL-KNOWN M.P.: MISS D. RAWSON.

The Hon. Mrs. Walter Trefusis, wife of Lieut.-Col. the Hon. Walter Trefusis, is working in an American Red Cross Hospital, in Paris.——The Hon. Mrs. Wellesley Somerset, whose husband, Captain the Hon. Wellesley Somerset, is serving with the Welsh Regiment, is a busy V.A.D. worker.——Mrs. Arthur Forster is the Irish wife of Mr. Arthur Forster, of Rumwood Court, near Maidstone, and daughter of the late Captain Bloomfield, of Castle Caldwell.——Mrs. Ian Orr-Ewing is the wife of Mr. Ian Orr-Ewing, Scots Guards, the eldest son of the late Mr. C. L. Orr-Ewing, M.P.——Miss D. Rawson is the sister of Lady Leconfield, and youngest daughter of Colonel Rawson, M.P.



#### THE HAUNTED FLAT.

BY MARTHE TROLY-CURTIN. (Author of "Phrynette and London" and "Phrynette Married.")

O you like ghosts? If not, you are sadly out of The best hostesses in town are giving fashion. séances as they once gave bridge parties. Sometimes, of course, ghosts do not turn up; but then, even we grosser guests do that too-and, to tell you the truth, I wonder that anyone out of the body (who is not out of his mind as well) should ever come back to London in mid-winter, when the loveliest, warmest climate is just as easy and cheap for him to fly to! Shall I tell you what happened to the last private séance I went to? It took place in a haunted flat where in pre-war months a gay dog-about-town had ended his dissipated days. But there is something in the flat which still attracts him-perhaps some hidden I.O.U. which he would like his friends to settle for him! He has be-

come again such an habitué of his once domicile that the house-keeper of the present occupier is on terms of amiable familiarity with him and calls him "Jimmy" (the ghost, not her employer!). When some cataclysm happens among the crockery, you may be sure that it is due to "Jimmy" bursting into the dining-room when the table was being laid; or, if the bedroom has not been dusted according to time, "Jimmy was so entertaining this morning." In fact, it is not unusual to hear the housekeeper announce casually to the successor of the ghost, "Jimmy never came at all to-day, Sir," in the same tone as she might say, "Your Uncle Algernon did not call."

It was to meet "Jimmy" that we had been invited to that seance. Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox was to be present, also the Hon. Mrs. Fitzroy, both ladies being very keen spiritualists; and a professional medium was expected. Unfortunately, none of those gifted people did come—owing, probably, to the vilest weather that even November can provide—so it was left to us the amateurs to try and invoke Jimmy to come and explain what he wanted us to do for the rest of his spirit. We sat, half-a-dozen of us, around a



gramophone (not through levity—it was the only polished surface we could find). On the lid we placed all the letters of the alphabet in a circle; then, delicately touching the edge of a glass with one

finger, we waited for the glass to move towards the letter and spell a message. So it did, several messages; but they all, somehow, did not seem to come from "Jimmy." There was among the expectant sitters one very sweet girl in a blue dress, and to her the glass seemed to convey flattering and amorous remarks always signed Jack. It was probably a coincidence that one of the "yous" present was called Jack, but he was very much alive (and kicking under the gramophone). We all became very disappointed. I suggested a

little meditation. So the lights were extinguished, we all closed our eyes, and in this receptive and auspicious mood we waited. Now and then the women gave pleasant little shrieks. I do not know how long we waited, for I-and not only I-fell asleep. Suddenly a thrill passed through our circle. We woke up. There was - yes, there was a decided sound of footsteps in the hall below, then the steps began to ascend the stairs. We looked at one another in the faint glow of the fire. "Is everybody in the room?" asked the host. Yes, we all were. The housekeeper was in bed; and no one else was, or should have been, in the house. One woman said, "I'm afraid," and hid her head on the nearest shoulderabove the " pips." The steps still ascended. There are three flights of steps before reaching the flat. I never heard a ghost (or anyone, for the matter of



that) walking in such a determined and heavy way. If it were "Jimmy," he must have been a man of enormous proportions and weight. The steps stopped outside the drawing-room door. A shiver shook the bravest of us. Our host rose resolutely; he switched on the lights, and asked loudly as he opened the door, "Jimmy, is it you?"

"Yes, Sir," said an elephantine policeman, standing on the threshhold; "but how d'you know my name? Your front door was wide open, Sir, at three in the morning, so I thought I'd come up and tell you."

Curious how policemen can smell whisky (or whatever drink is going) through wall and roofs, and even up three flights of stairs!

A "you" in the Isle of Man tells me that it is, in some ways, an Island of Enchantment in war time. There are no coupons, and (oh, dreams of avarice!) pre-war whisky flows unstintedly. The shops certainly close at six o'clock and the lighting is reduced; but, nevertheless, it is a real haven of refuge far from the troubles of war.

Sir Hall Caine is staying at Greeba Castle, and is very busy doing important propaganda work for the Government. Lady Ivy Somerset, the tall and charming daughter of the Governor, Lord Raglan, is staying at present in Government House with her brother, Captain Somerset. All of Lord Raglan's sons have seen service in the war. Lady Raglan is devoting herself to charity, and recently organised an "Our Day" on the island.

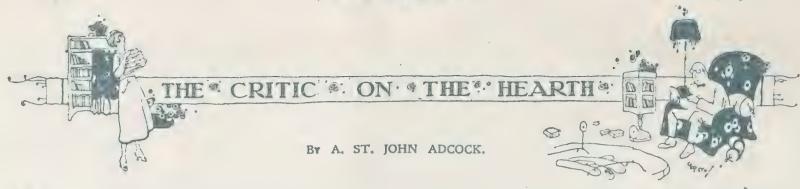
The members of the Poets' Club and their friends enjoyed a thrilling and unusual entertainment at the Café Monico the other evening, when Mr. Gonnoske Komai, author of "Dreams from China and Japan," gave a quaint and poetical lecture on "Japan as Revealed in Nature, Poetry, and Art." This was followed by a dramatic demonstration of sword-dancing by Mr. Koizumi, to the accompaniment of a war-poem half-sung and half-recited. The Scots "you" with whom "was told me that in Scotland they have something very similar, danced in kilt instead of the kimono.

### WHERE THE SUN SHINES ALL THE YEAR: A NAIAD.



IN BATHING ATTIRE ON THE SUNNY SHORES OF THE PACIFIC IN CALIFORNIA: AN AMERICAN ACTRESS, MISS MYRTLE LIND.

At this time of year the sight of a bathing-dress in our northern clime is apt to make one shiver. But it is otherwise by the sunny shores of the Pacific on the coast of California, where the sun is guaranteed to shine every year, as Mr. Leslie Henson might say, for "three hundred" and sixty-five days." The fair bather shown in our photograph is Miss Myrtle Lind, a popular actress of the Mack Sennett Comedies, who has lately been disporting herself in that favoured land where it is "always afternoon," and sunshine.—[Photograph by Stagg, New York.]



WE have fallen into a bad habit of not rewarding our authors until they are dead. By going to his office regularly and doing the work he is paid to do, a Government clerk may acquire an O.B.E. at the end of two or three years; but he might write brilliant fiction for the whole of a long life, and nobody would think of presenting him with so much as a marble clock. Perhaps they manage these things better in America. Anyhow, I am glad that an American, William Lyon Phelps, has written a monograph on the works and career of Archibald Marshall. The author of



WHERE CORRESPONDENTS -- AND OTHERS -- GATHER TOGETHER: THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION CHATEAU ON THE WESTERN FRONT.-- [Official Photograph.]

"Exton Manor," and a dozen other admirably realistic novels as true to the English life of the twentieth century as Trollope's were of the nineteenth, has fully earned this tribute; yet, for the reasons given, he is lucky to get it. Incidentally, Dr. Phelps, as a medical man, establishes the practical utility of the novel, and raises it to an importance equal at least to Mother Siegel's Syrup. He has prescribed books for physical ailments, and says, "I know that 'Treasure Island' cured me of an attack of tonsilitis, and that 'Queed' cured me of acute indigestion. A United States naval officer informed me that he recovered from jaundice simply by reading 'Pride and Prejudice.'" There should be a boom for the book that could be advertised as an infallible cure for influenza, or—and there are such books, though one does not like to mention them—as a substitute for morphia, "to be taken at bedtime."

Talking of honours, Richard King makes a capital suggestion in his delightful collection of stories and essays, "Passion and Pot-Pourri." He argues that it would be more reasonable "to give out dishonours rather than honours." Then, instead of spending so much time "wire-pulling in all directions, in fear and trembling that, in the next list, their names may be left out," everybody would have to work hard all the time in order to escape being decorated as a slacker or an incompetent. Of course, if he repented and reformed, a man would be honoured by having his star or his medal taken away from him, or by being allowed to leave it at home. There is a good deal in this; but you know what people are, and I doubt whether there would be enough metal to go round.

I fancy that, if he had read Dr. Phelps's testimony to the medicinal value of fiction, G. S. Street would have written more respectfully of the novelist than he does in "At Home in the War." This record of his observations and impressions is full of true and poignant things; he has been deeply moved by the great new spirit that has swept over England in these years, and he moves you in his telling of

it. But he says that nobody now gives the popular author the importance he had before the war; he is scornful of the writer (he does not name the unhappy wretch) who "thought the country might be saved if the Government were to consist of popular novelists and essayists." He evidently did not know, then, that the novel could do as much in that direction as Carter's Little Liver Pills. And he remembers, "with a certain sense of pathos, how, in the early weeks of the war, a number of writers with names then much before the public, popular novelists and the like, brought out a solemn manifesto to assure the world that they approved of their country's being loyal to its word. Poor dears! How odd that sense of proportion must seem to them now!"

Which does not suggest that the pathos of this incident altogether unmanned him, unless you assume that Mr. Street is a Scotsman, and that the Rev. Mr. Willings was right when he said, "The Scotch, Mrs. Twymley, express their emotions differently from us. With them, tears signify a rollicking mood; while merriment denotes that they are plunged in gloom." If you are not acquainted with Mr. Willings you ought to be. You will find him in that exquisitely whimsical, humorous-pathetic little play of Barrie's, "The Old Lady Shows Her Medals," which is included in his new book, "Echoes of

the War," and it is as good to read as it was to go and see. So are the other three playlets that are bound up with it. If anything, better—for Sir James has added introductory character-sketches, and linked up the dialogue with revealing hints and comments that are shrewd, humorous, elusively tender by turns, and accentuate the charm of the whole thing.

A novelist who must have cured a good many people of "that heavy feeling," both before and after meals, is Sax Rohmer. He has deservedly scored a very considerable popularity here and in America with his tales of that weirdest of Chinese crime directors, Dr. Fu-Manchu, and in "The Orchard of Tears" he successfully breaks new ground. The first time his heroine speaks in the book she remarks "You are a blasted liar!" Nevertheless, she develops into one of the most fascinating and lovable of girls. She comes under the guardianship of two friends who both fall in love with

her, and she falls in love with the one who is already married; but the girl herself is too sensible and Paul Mario too high-minded and self-controlled to let the situation get out of hand. Paul is a man of genius, a dreamer, an idealist who has created a vast sensation by preaching in his books a wonderful gospel of reincarnation. A strange story, and an interesting and ably written one. Even the tragedy at the close does not give it an unhappy ending, if you accept Paul's teachings as true.

I am not sure that the happy ending of "Captain Marraday's Marriage" is so happy as it seems. A man who loves a girl much younger than himself marries her in time to save her from the shame that another has brought upon her. She has loved him all along; her character is so cunningly presented that you can believe in his



READY TO START FOR THE FRONT, TO CONVOY WOUNDED: MOTOR - DRIVERS OF THE WOMEN'S LEGION.—[Photograph by S. and G.]

increasing passion for her; but though he puts memory behind him, at last—I wonder could they be always happy? Read, and judge for yourself—it is well worth reading.

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Little England. By Sheila Kaye-Smith. (Nisbet.)



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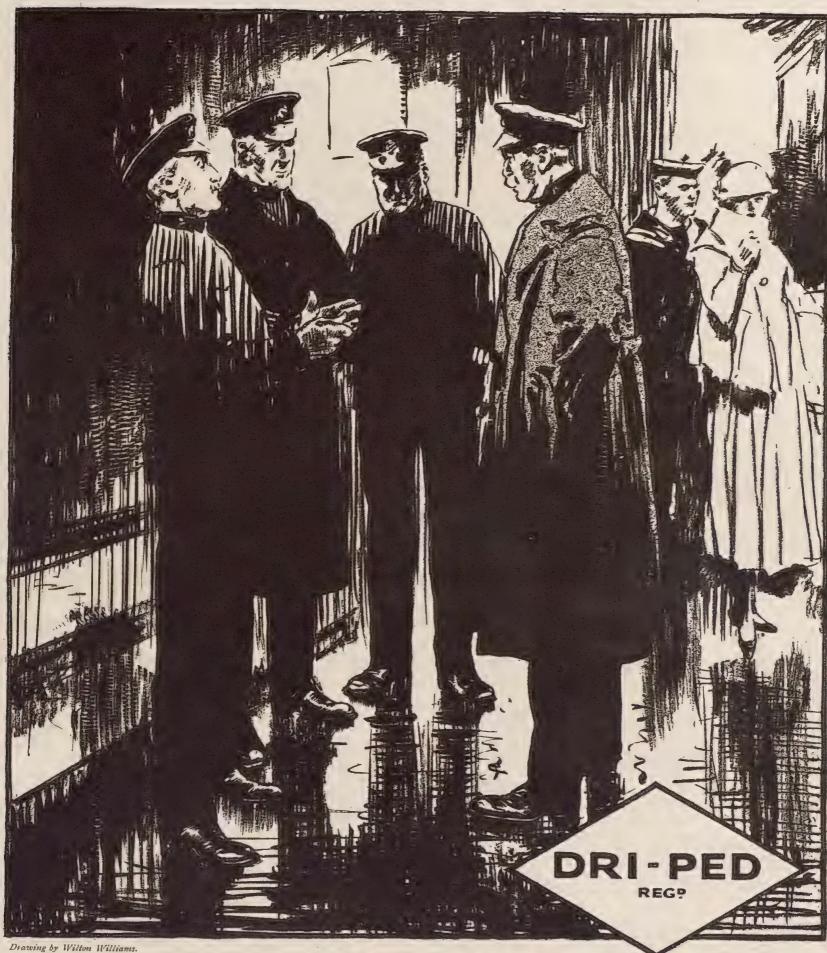
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#### THE R.A.F. IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

By C. G. GREY, Editor of "The Aeroplane."

LREADY people are beginning to wonder what is going to happen about flying after the war. As a matter of fact, the war is not over yet by quite a long way, for, armistice or no armistice, it will be necessary to keep quite a big army on the premises, as it were, till peace is actually signed; and even then it may be necessary to maintain an army of occupation for a few years, just to see that the defeated enemy plays no tricks with the peace conditions. Also, if Germany goes mad and bites, and becomes utterly Bolshevik, it will be necessary for the armies of the Allies to start in and enforce order, for, unless there is a sound Government of some sort in Germany, we and our Allies stand a precious poor chance of getting any of our indemnities out of that country. And necessarily, wherever there is an army, there must be a goodly portion of the Royal Air Force. Judging from what one has heard said by the R.A.F. people, nothing would please them better than to have the chance of taking it out of Bolsheviks of anv sort.

Civil Aerial Transport.

However, all sorts of serious and important people are thinking about post-war aviation, so it really looks as if something will be done about it before long. For one thing, it is quite time that the long-delayed report of the much-boomed Civil Aerial Transport Committee were published. Not that the report in itself can be of any direct practical use, but it may possibly indicate the direction in which the official mind has been thinking. Incidentally, I hear that, despite all the high-sounding names on that Committee, nothing definite has been done about its various recommendations, and that the mere printing of the report has only been taken seriously in hand quite recently. Meantime, other nations—such as the United States, France, Italy, Germany, and Austria—have started regular aerial postal services as experiments.

Aerial Postal
Services.

For some reason or another, everyone seems to regard air posts in this country as the first manifestation of commercial aeronautics after the war. Why this should be, goodness only knows, for there are already plenty of fast and reliable mail trains for that business;



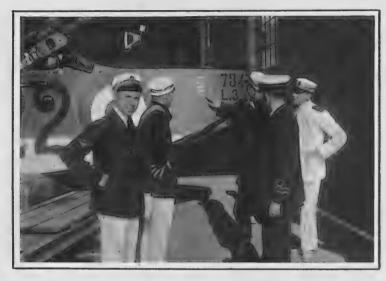
WELL-WON HONOURS: ROYAL AIR FORCE HEROES BEING DECORATED BY MAJOR-GENERAL HEATH-CALDWELL.—[Official Photograph.]

and, in order to score heavily over the common or garden train, an aeroplane has to travel such a distance as to allow it, even if delayed for a day or two by bad weather, to beat the train. Nevertheless, while the Allied Armies are still in eastern France and in Belgium—and, one hopes, in German territory—the railways will be pretty well jammed with traffic, partly taking out supplies to the troops, and partly bringing back such troops as are returning,

with all their kit and stores and ordnance, not to mention a great deal of booty in the shape of German war material.

Aeroplanes for Army Postal Work. Therefore all the Army's postal work might well be done by aeroplane. This would provide plenty of employment for a number of the two seater and multi-seater machines hitherto used

for bombing and reconnaissance and artillery observation. The bigger machines, such as the Handley Pages, might even be used



"WOUND" STRIPES FOR A SEAPLANE: A NEW IDEA AT AN ITALIAN AERODROME.

At the Italian aerodrome at which this photograph was taken, it became the custom to paint a silver "wound" stripe on each aeroplane hit—one stripe per hit. The machine seen, it will be noted, has six stripes.—[Official Photograph.]

for parcels post work, carrying comforts for the troops, for during the present winter creature comforts will be just as much needed by the men abroad as if they were actively fighting. In this way much useful experience could be gained in the running of aerial postal services. Costs could be worked out as the result. Records would be kept as to the number of days on which flying was possible or impossible. The mileage covered by different types of engines without need for overhauls would be ascertained, as would the mileage which a pilot could cover under peace conditions before needing a long rest. With these and other ascertainable figures available, it would be a comparatively easy matter to organise regular aerial postal services at a later date on a sound financial basis, and thus many a wild-cat scheme might be prevented.

Air Transport of Officers and Despatches. Another of the duties of the R.A.F., between the declaration of the armistice and the return home of the Army, will be the transport of Staff officers and of despatches. The work of

the administrative and supply branches of the Army necessitates constant travelling between Army Headquarters and home, and between one part of the Army and another, by a number of Staff officers. At present this travelling is mostly done by car, some of it by train; and so much of it as involves crossing the Channel is done by boat. All these methods are slow, especially in the devastated areas in France, where the roads are cut to pieces, and much time is wasted in circumnavigating destroyed bridges and mine craters and suchlike obstacles. All this travelling could be done in a fraction of the time by aeroplane, so that, by turning a number of the two-seater squadrons into what are called in the R.A.F. "Communication" Squadrons, much valuable time could be saved, and many aeroplanes could be put to good use. The little single-seater fighters would then be employed for the carrying of Army despatches of an urgent nature, and would prove to be quicker in many cases than the telegraph or telephone.



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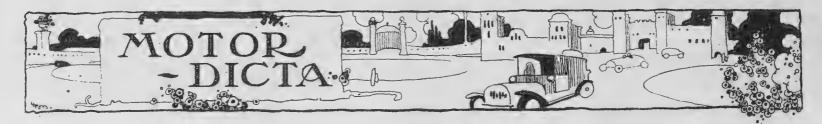
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#### OLYMPIA WEEK REFLECTIONS AND THE RELEASE OF PETROL. By GERALD BISS.

T is very hard in some ways not to be joyou's to the exclusion of the practical to which the of the practical, to which by now, however, we shall all have settled down more or less, with the profound conviction that peace is not all lavender, and has, after such an upheaval, tasks and anxieties to be faced only second to those of war itself. Still, we have seen the one through; and now we shall perforce see the other through, though it will be an anxious and trying time. Peace in our country town came by telephone; and, with the philosophy bred of four years and four months of war, at eleven o'clock of the eleventh day of the eleventh month of the Year of Peace nobody jumped out of their boots. It had been discounted, and our philosophic minds were projected into the terms of settlement and the proper ruling up of the unspeakable Hun. Then at a venture a delightful, wicked little boy broke the bonds of four years and four months of depression, and, in direct defiance of Dora, let off a cheerful, isolated, obstreperous, rollicking, anarchistic little squib with the dear old Guy Fawkes touch—the harbinger of liberty and active revolt against the suppression of individualism. That joyous squib touched the spot, and aroused both memory and imagination after such long compulsory Rip-van-Winkleism and waking selfabnegation.

Olympia Week. Something reacted, and I began to hum to myself a carmagnole which gathered volume as it went. It was Olympia Week, the sacred slice of the exhibition year dedicated to automobiles, full of many memories. For five Novembers Olympia had suffered from interned Huns, emptiness, and other things; and now how soon was the "Ichabod" to be stripped from off the lintel in Addison Road? Some folk have asked whether ever again there will be another motor show, or whether such things have passed permanently—knocked out by the war. Yes; of course there will be as many more Olympias as ever the public and the trade will stand: and I base this positive statement upon the analogy of the clergyman who received a call to a more lucrative pulpit. When a lady of his anxious congregation



IN HIS OFFICIAL CAR: THE VICTORIOUS GENERAL ALLENBY

AT DAMASCUS.—[Official Photograph.]

called to inquire as to whether they were going to lose their beloved pastor, the "general" of the front door answered in the affirmative on her own—"Leastways," quoth she, "master's in the study praying for guidance, and the mistress is upstairs packing."

The S.M.M.T. Well, the annual Olympia is the backbone of the finance of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders; and no one, except the pacifist

"Internationals" who love the Hun far better than their own brethren, is so utterly altruistic as to resign good gold in lumps for nothing. Moreover, while others have been busy with diluted dialectics to keep the ball rolling in war-time the S.M.M.T. has not been by any means packing, but rather consolidating the position by making new contracts with the



MOTORING UNDER DIFFICULTIES! AN ARMOURED CAR BEING SHELLED ON THE MESOPOTAMIA FRONT.

Official Photograph.

Olympic authorities and officially signing new agreements for the duration of public tolerance. Again, the war will in reaction certainly have given these Olympiads a new lease of life for a year or two—or even more—to come, in that they will have something really fresh to show to the public, which same public, by reason of its practical war experience, will be a far more critical, intelligent, and interested body of bob-a-nobbers than used to perambulate the stands and look at the silver fittings of the limousines, to the exclusion of the oddments in the uninteresting engines. But the question is—How soon, O Lord, how soon? I doubt if it can well be before next November, for many reasons; but the spring would be very satisfactory, if possible, and give a big impetus to things both at home and abroad. So let us get on to the business with as little delay as may be—demobilisation without demoralisation.

But what is exercising the Great Unpetrolled The Great even more urgently is the question of when Unpetrolled. petrol-and plenty of it-is to be released. Some writers have raised what I fear are false hopes of an immediate glut; but the fact remains that there is a lot of cleaning up across the water to be done, and that the machine of war must be kept equipped cap-à-pie until the wriggling Hun has swallowed and digested all the peace terms to the satisfaction and security of the Allies. No official, either, was ever in any undue hurry yetnor will they hurry now for your convenience and mine, dear reader, to the stripping of their own brief authority. Again, in this demobilisation of petrol the private car-owner will find himself last on the list, with the wheels of industry all in front of him. Finally, great care must be exercised that, falling out of Government control into the clutches of the controlling companies, we may not find ourselves out of the frying-pan into the fire. The fuel problem is the most urgent and vital in all automobilism, and calls for prompt and statesmanlike handling before we find ourselves, as a nation, immobilised or rack-rented out of existence by outside influences. The private owner must have his grievances, but public and national needs must come first.

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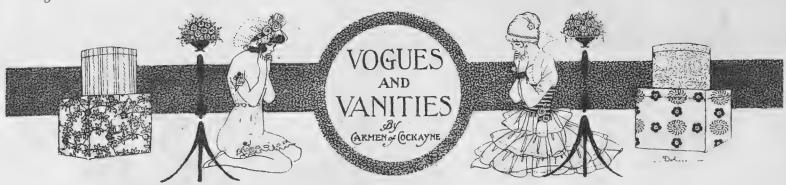
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important-at any rate from the point of view of the purchaser these straitened times—of finding someone to bring home the "stuff" once the deal has been fairly concluded. But it takes something more than money to furnish a house. It takes taste, and knowledge, and a sense of values and proportion, amongst other things, if the place is to be a home and not a museum of antiquities, or absurdities, as the case may be.

make the woman without a dress "sense" ever look anything but"clothed," so the people who turnish their houses in Adam, or Chippendale, or Jacobean, or any other style, without an intelligent appreciation of what the terms really imply, are heading straight for the kind of finished product that makes anyone who "knows" sigh for a rush-bottomed chair and a deal table right away.

They Don't

Know.

How-A Long Job. ever. it is not necessary to be slavishly imitative in order to produce the styles of other days. The person on the look-out for furniture who is going to reject everything but the absolutely genuine article, or its absolutely faithful reproduction, has set himself a long job. Lots of people like to pro-

duce an eighteenth-century illusion in their drawing-room. Only the comparatively few can afford to indulge their fancy with the "real thing." But that is no reason why they should be condemned to suffer the mental anguish that is aroused by spiderlegged chairs and tables that owe allegiance to no known form of art. If you cannot be antique, the next best thing is to be as antique as you can; and that is

not particularly difficult with Mr. Joshua Garside, at Shoolbred's, in Tottenham Court Road, just waiting to be asked to show how it is done. It is really important

to get the help of an expert; otherwise, it is conceivable that an enthusiast might fall a victim to the allurements of Adam festoons when, as a matter of fact, fashion demanded the presence of the more restrained Chippendale, spindly Sheraton, or the unvarnished dignity of Jacobean oak-and few people are so strong-minded as to be entirely indifferent to fashion.

Victorian furniture failed for two reasons. To The Reasons begin with, there was its solid ugliness. More Why. than that, it was downright dishonest, passing

off for real walnut what was only veneer-and very much on the surface at that. But there is "no deception" about the reproductions that are such an attraction in the furniture salons at Shoolbreds. They are frankly reproductions, but of the kind in which the spirit and characteristics of the time they represent have been faithfully caught and shown. Quite ôften they may differ from originals in some particular. The discrepancy is all to the good. After all, the letter is a comparatively trifling matter; the spirit is there, and it is the spirit, as we all know, that gives life.

Fashion being so important, it is as well to know her views. At the moment the tendency of Fashion. is towards the ideals of the eighteenth century,

with a decided preference for the Adam and Chippendale and Queen Anne styles, and not much sympathy for the principles professed by Sheraton. However, no one need be eighteenth-century against their will. There are still a few bold people to whom their own likes and dislikes are more important than fashion; and, if their affection still clings to the kind of furniture used

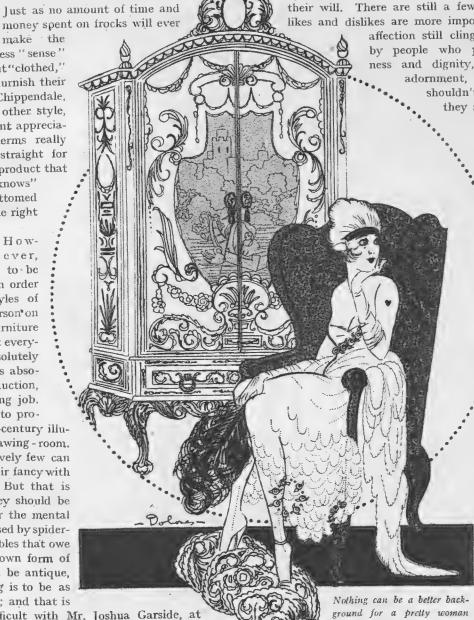
by people who plumped solidly for simple richness and dignity, and cared little for inessential adornment, there is no reason why they shouldn't, and every inducement why they should, please themselves.

> How It Is Done. It is quite possible, for instance, to have a Jacobean drawing-room without- the inconveniences attendant necessary to make it absolutely faithful to the rooms in the "good old days." Old wainscoting can be produced quite well enough to suit the taste of a reasonable being without the accompaniments of worm-holes and rats, and in such a way as to be realistically suggestive of the old methods of construction and finish used by the old workmen, whose rather primitive tools had

no apparent effect on their skill. There will be the right kind of plaster-work on the frieze and ceiling; and if the furniture is not wholly, or mainly, or even partly composed of " specimens," genuine carved - oak counterparts are not the kind of things with which ordinary common-sense people are likely to quarrel. Just the same applies to the hangings and carpets; and when, by carefully choosing your materials, you arrive at a perfectly blended and con-

than an eightcenthcentury arm-chair. tinuous whole, what more can anyone not an antiquary want?

It's a long way from Jacobean sobriety to the Ready more frivolous ornateness of the Adam period; for Anything. but not too long for Mr. Garside to give the visitor to Shoolbred's a glimpse into the Adam drawing-room of her dreams. In it there are plaster decorations, of course, in low relief; and not the least interesting thing about them is that each is a careful copy of an actual old piece. There is a chimney-piece of marble with fluting of inlaid Siena, and moulded panelling on the walls. Just to preserve harmony, the furniture is decorated satinwood; and even the grate and fender and lighting arrangements, not to mention the textile et-ceteras, have all been carefully planned with an eye to the general scheme.





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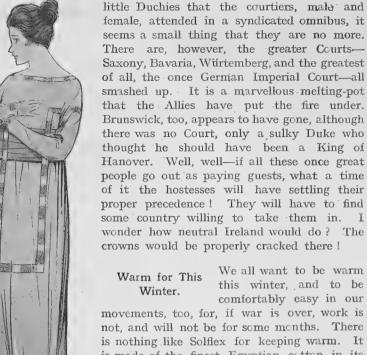
of last week. We did have a flag-wagging outburst! We had waited steady and quiet through good and evil reports from the Fronts; but with the complete surrender of Germany, the great foe, there was an outburst-and who could wonder? The young folk burst all restraints and enjoyed their joy, as they deserved to do. The elders liked

to see them; and those who had an ache in their hearts felt it mitigated when they realised that those for whom the ache was had gone doing their grand bit to secure this day for those singing, dancing, joyous youngsters, whose future is bright once more before them, who can look out on life again with no fear, who have worked as the others have fought and watched and died, and to whom their inheritance as free-born Britons is again clear.

We all walked, like Agag, delicately. There The Hush of was distinct disinclination to wander far from the Week-End. the vulcanite friend of the family, which at any mement might tinkle out the summons to hear that the armistice had been signed. An atmosphere of waiting held us all. We knew that crowns made in Germany were tumbling about like other gimcrack products of the vaunted Fatherland. We knew that the end of the end was at hand; but the legal side of our British characters wanted it signed, sealed, and delivered. I have always believed greatly that "the mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceeding small; Though with patience He stands waiting, with exactness grinds He all." It was said—or, I think, translated from the old Greek Sibylline books-by a German, Friedrich von Logan, in the sixteenth century. It is verified in the twentieth!

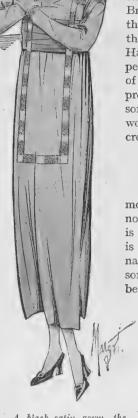
It must be rather difficult to know who in Properly Cracked Germany ever was crowned—certainly now no one is. It would seem much safer to drop the

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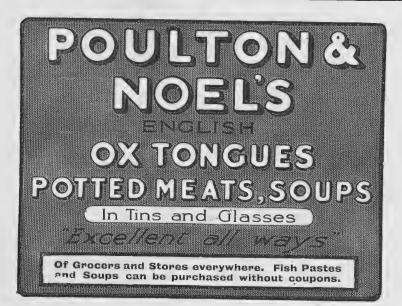
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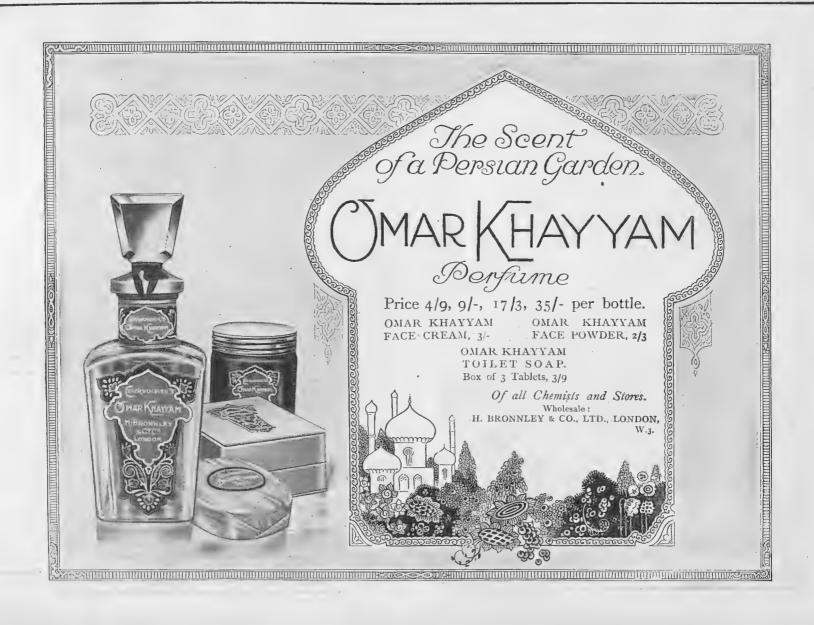
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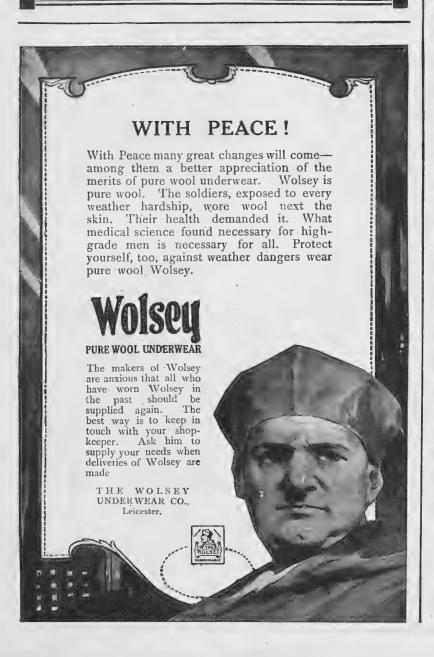
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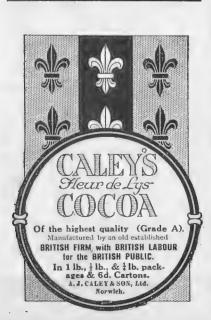
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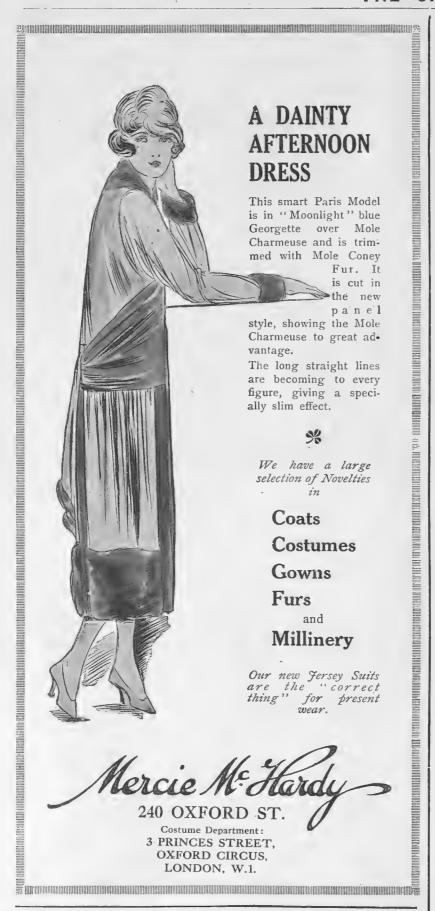
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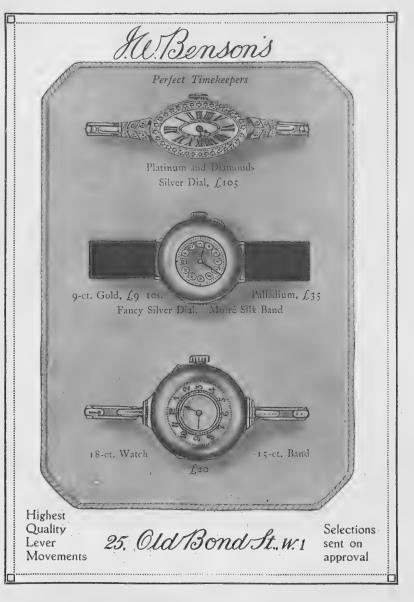
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#### How She Preserved Her Complexion.

After a little persuasion she told me the secret of how she had not only kept, but improved, her looks during the three years in which we had not met, in spite of her hard work and

She told me she owed the freshness She told me she owed the freshness of her complexion to the regular use every night of a little plain mercolised wax. This she rubbed gently into the face and neck, leaving it on all night, and washing it off in the morning with warm water. She had entirely given up the use of powder, which she told me she felt sure caused wrinkles, and was using instead a lotion made by mixing an ounce of cleminite in about two ounces of water. This lotion gives two ounces of water. This lotion gives a most natural appearance, and is beneficial to the skin, and judging by her complexion, I can well believe it.

#### Removing the Wrinkles.

When I asked what she had done to remove the little wrinkles which I remembered round her eyes and mouth, she told me "Nothing." The use of the mercolised wax had done the trick without any effort on her part. This wax, it seems, gently peels off all the dead outer claim clarks and This wax, it seems, gently peels off all the dead outer skin, slowly and imperceptibly while one sleeps, and with the dead skin, all lines and wrinkles, leaving the fresh young complexion beneath clear and smooth.

#### A Slight Growth of Superfluous Hair.

A Slight Growth of Superfluous Hair. There was another point upon which I was very curious. Milicent used to have a slight growth of hair on her upper lip, which I am forced to admit, entirely spoilt her claims to being considered a pretty girl, and this, too, had entirely disappeared, owing to the use, she told me, of a little powdered pheminol. After two applications, she said, all traces of the growth had disappeared, but as a precaution she had used some tekko paste for a couple of weeks afterwards.

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The Tomboy Terror. Everyone is willing to acknowledge the value of the work done by the girls of the country, and that they have helped loyally to win the

war. The pity, therefore, is the greater that their chief recreation seems to be pushing their way along the pavement regardless of

common civility. It may seem a trivial fault, but it is only too true that "manners they have none." Noise and Speed seem to be the idols at whose altars they worship, and it is to be hoped that when they are demobilised they will revert to a more agreeable method of self-expression and " deportment."

An Interesting
Peace Baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Churchill have received congratulations many upon their possession of a third daughter. She was born on Friday morning; and Mr. Churchill, being at Buckingham Palace, received cordial congratulations from the King, who has always been an admirer of Mr. Churchill's downright impetuosity, which seems rather to smack

of the sea. Mr. and Mrs. Churchill now have three daughters and a son. It is a happy omen that the new daughter should arrive at a time when the world shows signs of reverting to peace. No doubt the circumstance will be reflected in one of her Christian names when the time comes for the important demand, "Name this child!" The point is causing a good deal of speculation among Mr. Churchill's many friends, political and private.

Scotched-Not Kilt.

Fashion - or, perhaps, the short supply of material - threatens us with tight, short skirts. It is hard to find beauty of line in such a style, and if the abbreviation is too marked, our girls might almost as well adopt the kilt. It may be hoped that the idea may be scotched at once, as its only justification would be economy. The "mannish" woman is quite prevalent enough already; and it is not desirable that abbreviated skirts should be encouraged, for we cannot afford to lose what little beauty is left in these days of stress when women are in such enterprising and often courageous fashion entering so many fields usually regarded as belonging to men.



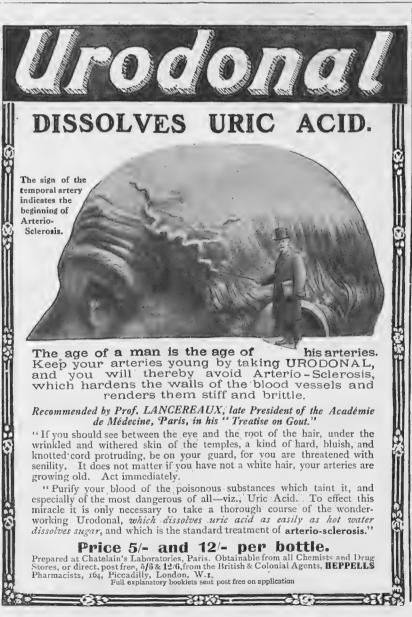
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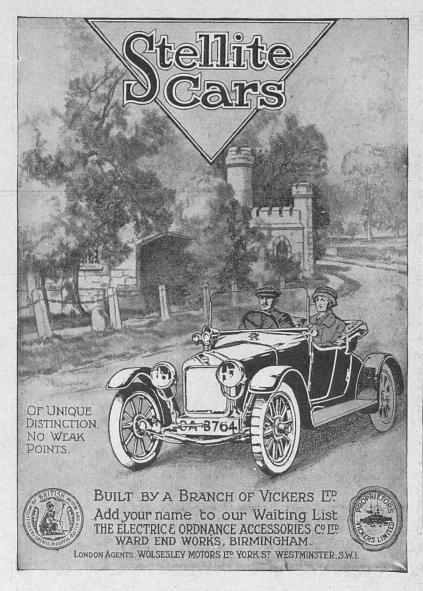
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